

**Approved BOARD MINUTES December 14, 2017**

The Village Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Mayor Manicki, who led the pledge to the flag and welcomed those in attendance to the meeting.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Manicki, Trustees: Overhoff, Daluisio and Warmus, Superintendent Sitzman, Clerk/Treasurer Wachowiak, Deputy Clerk Galbraith, Attorney Trapp, Eugene Nuwer and Sue DeWitt, Alden Advertiser.

**Absent:** CEO Czechowski and Trustee Green

**MOTION** by Trustee Daluisio seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2017 meeting. Carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Warmus, seconded by Trustee Daluisio to approve for payment bills on abstract dated December 14, 2017. Carried.

Payroll	\$40,937.72
Abstract	\$717,902.75

**MOTION** by Trustee Overhoff seconded by Trustee Daluisio to approve the following monthly reports for October: E.C. Sheriff. For November: CEO, Fire, Court, Fire fuel, DPW and DPW addendum. Carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Requests from: Alden Fire Dept, and Winterfest, Updates from NYCOM and RBC Wealth Management, Newsletter from J O'Connell and associates, Town of Alden board minutes, NYS Deferred Comp. notifying employees of online services offered. Notification from Chamber that Winterfest tree won 3<sup>rd</sup> place and Charter Communications will have a rate increase.

**MOTION** by Trustee Warmus, seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to file as received all correspondence. Carried.

Resolutions/Appointments/Requests/Motions for December 14, 2017,

**MOTION** by Trustee Daluisio and seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to approve the Fire/EMS calls for November 11 – December 8, 2017. Carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Warmus and seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to approve the Alden Hook and Ladder Fire Company's request for the following: to use Firemen's Memorial Bandstand Park on Sunday, December 31 from 11 pm to 1 am, and waive the open container law for the duration of the Ball Drop event and to assist in the removal of snow for the event around the gazebo. Carried.

**MOTION** by Trustee Overhoff and seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to approve the Alden Hook and Ladder Fire Company's request for the following, as voted on by membership:  
Fire/EMS – Mark Moyer and Rebecca Domanowski  
Active Restricted Fire/EMS – Leah Rozbicki and Denali Lauer. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Daluisio and seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to authorize Mayor Manicki to sign the Fire Protection Contract with the Town of Alden to expire Dec. 31 2020. Carried.

MOTION by Trustee Warmus, and seconded by Trustee Overhoff, to approve Alden Winterfest Committees request the following: to use the Firemen's Memorial Bandstand Park, Village and Fire Halls for Winterfest on February 2 & 3, 2018, erect a sign in Firemen's Memorial Bandstand Park from January 3-February 3, 2018, erect a banner on the bandstand and allow only parking on the West side of Church St. and one way traffic only, in a northerly direction on Church St. Carried.

**BUSINESS FROM FLOOR-**

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES/DEPARTMENTS:**

The board wished everyone a wonderful holiday.

**Superintendent Sitzman** – WWTP Phase one progressing nicely. 1<sup>st</sup> RBC looking at Dec. 4 for startup. Reminder there is a parking ban in effect thru April, no parking in the streets from 2-6 am. Plowing across the street is in violation of state law and plowing across sidewalk in violation of village law, as it is a safety hazard.

**Attorney Trapp** - CEO and attorney are working on ordinance on signs. In front of Planning Board to review and then will contact the Chamber of Commerce, who wanted to be informed on the sign ordinances.

**Trustee Overhoff** – asked to have his Subscriber Comment from Dec. 7, entered into the minutes. They are following the minutes.

**Mayor Manicki** – Birch Creek has ordered shielding for their street lights. They also now have E.C. Health Dept. approval 1 temp. C of O and 1 building permit. More sold but waiting till spring. Sales tax up 2.98% ytd., have received 1 or 2 complaints about the sidewalk plow. The plow is wider than the sidewalks, so it does leave some marks, which the DPW does repair every spring. This is a complimentary service by the village, provided the residents appreciate it.

**UNFINISHED AND TABLED BUSINESS:**

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Trustee Warmus and seconded by Trustee Daluisio, to adjourn the meeting, with a moment of silence for Doris Missel a former village resident. 7:47 pm. Carried.

I respectfully submit

Sue Galbraith,  
Deputy Village Clerk

The following is a Subscriber Comment published by the Alden Advertiser Thursday, December 7, 2017, entered into the record, requested by Trustee Overhoff:  
Village of Alden Residents:

The following information is about a crossing guard's appeal that appeared in this paper November 16, 2017. It was read at the Village Board Meeting on November 9 by a crossing guard's husband. I had attended the certification meeting for crossing guards given by PERMA on Aug. 28, as to the requirements to be followed.

Of the villages 4 crossing guards, only 2 showed up. The guards were requested to come to the village hall on Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> to be measured for uniforms by a representative from C-Shore Design, Alden, NY. The Mayor and I met with the 4 crossing guards that day and the requirements from the PERMA Certification course were discussed.

The PERMA instructor had stated: Crossing guards shall not direct traffic in the usual Law Regulatory sense. He also stated to avoid distractions while on duty there should be No eating, No Smoking, No beverages, No reading material, No radios and No cell Phones.

Remain standing on duty and school crossing guards cannot stop vehicles and wave other vehicles through stop signs. I told our crossing guards at the Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> meeting that I was not in total agreement with the PERMA instructor and our Mayor stated the same.

Some comments were made by the crossing guards and the uniform sales rep. was told she was not needed at this time and she left. I'm sure that everyone is aware that no employee can tell an employer what to do. Decisions can and will be made when this subject is finalized by the Village Board. At the Village board meeting on 11-21-17, I asked our village attorney if a village is mandated by law to provide crossing guards for school districts. He stated a village is NOT required to provide crossing guards.

Trustee Robert Overhoff Sr.

Chairman of the Village Safety Committee